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INDORSE THE LOAN
A VOTE for the \$33,000,000 loan tomorrow is a vote for a greater Philadelphia representative of the needs of this community and of the forces of progress at work here.

The money is to be spent for Delaware river bridge, completion of the Frankford elevated and its connection with the Market street subway, for street paving and grading, for the extension of the Roosevelt boulevard and of Delaware avenue, for the very necessary improvement of the Independence Hall group of buildings, for the purchase by the city of street cleaning and garbage collecting plants and equipment, for sewer construction, for the improvement of the water supply, for playgrounds and parks, for new buildings and improvements at the House of Correction, for river-front improvements, for the construction of the Art Museum and the Free Library—short, for a comprehensive and vital municipal development.

Objection to the form of the loan has been rightly made on the ground that the voter should have a right to express himself or herself upon the necessity for each of the individual items. As it is now, some which may be unpalatable, such as the Municipal Court extravaganza, will have to be sanctioned unless the whole program is to be rejected.

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passage by two successive Legislatures, final decision is now in the hands of the people. Amendment No. 1 broadens the power of the Legislature to provide for the incorporation of banks and trust companies and to prescribe the powers of those institutions. In other words, it removes constitutional restrictions concerning banking laws and increases the legislative freedom of the General Assembly at Harrisburg.

RETURN REPUBLICANS TO POWER IN WASHINGTON
The Democratic Party has Failed and Should Be Ousted—For the Same Reason Unworthy Candidates for Local Office Should Be Defeated

NATIONAL, state and municipal officers are to be chosen at the election tomorrow. The issues in the choice of national officers are different from those involved in the choice of state officers.

This year the outstanding national issue is one of efficiency. The Democratic party has broken down since the armistice as an instrument of government. But that breakdown did not begin with the armistice. It started soon after the party came into power in March, 1913. It proceeded at once to change the tariff laws which it had been attacking for years as ineffectual.

Under the charter, loans can be voted upon in detail. The next one floated by the city should certainly be presented in that shape to the electorate.

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vote for what they regard as the best men for the state and local offices, regardless of party—they will have to put a mark in the square opposite the names of the men they support, provided they are not Republicans.

THE WOMEN'S PART
THE 25,000,000 women who were enfranchised just in time for a national election—that half of the adult population which, because of peculiar training, age-old custom and inherited instinct, is disposed to think in fundamental terms—made its mark on a crisis on unerring intuition rather than on any carefully reasoned-out formula—represent a factor in the present campaign about which leaders continue to guess and worry.

None of the prophecies made by the old-school politicians who fought suffrage have been justified by the recent experiences of party leaders. It used to be said that women would have little interest in elections and that if they took the trouble to vote they would vote as their husbands voted.

His determination to do all in his power to return the Republicans to control in Washington will be re-enforced by his knowledge of the Democratic failure to make peace and to put the country on a peace footing.

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AS ONE WOMAN SEES IT

Concerning Lost Motion Discussing the "Going On" of Girls and Proof Advanced That They Are All Right
By SARAH D. LOWRIE
THERE has been a great deal of lost motion from first to last, since the war about how the "girls are going on." First they were attacked in fiction and essays, then they were defended in essays and violent young letters of protest from young champions. Then the public took up the hue and cry and mourned the "ways of the girls." The only persons who have remained perfectly silent through it all are the girls themselves.

It is a curious fact that grandparents generally understand their grandchildren better than the children's parents do, and get more of their confidences.

WHEN I was a girl brusqueness was rather chic but not unadorned simplicity. Girls in those days did not look so casually in the street and, behind closed doors, often locked doors.

They really like truth and they will take any amount of truth if it is appropriate to their exigency, but they hate cant and they are impatient of truth out of place. They all are garrulous, many of them are garrulous to them, many hymns full of astonishing exaggerations, many prayers beside the point and many pews very confining.

GENERATION ago all but a few society women promptly lost their figures. The girl of this generation keeps her figure after her marriage for matter of course, so that the difference between the two mothers in a crowd of young things, as a consequence unmarried girls and married girls go about together with no great feeling of superiority on either side.

AFTER all, the great test for every one is how does he or she measure up to an emergency—a quick call, with no time to think, to the limit of what is possible.

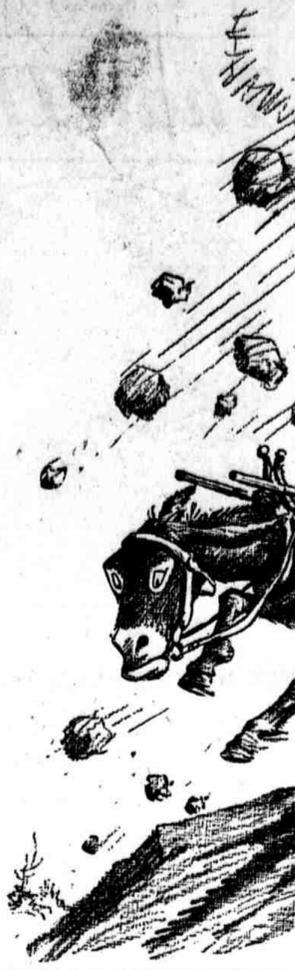
CONCLUDE that since they had the sense and keenness to grasp a great calamity by the throat and shake it, but not be shaken by it while the fight was on, their grasp at pleasure may be just as genuine, just as uncalculating, just as forefelt.

Not All in School "Educated"
What they don't realize, apparently, is that the mere fact that a child goes to school does not necessarily argue that he is getting an education. All children are not fertile soil into which can be dropped the seeds of learning and expect to get results.

THEIR very democraticness is simple because it is so a matter of course. If they have eliminated the word "respect" from their vocabulary, they have done away with the word "condescension."

Among the Halloween maskers not one had the protean quality of "A Report on Good Authority," which cost down the "A Ridiculous Rumor" simply by being from one political headquarters to another.

IT CAN'T BE DODGED



NOW MY IDEA IS THIS!

Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They Know Best

DR. OLIVER CORNMAN
The Backward Pupil
PHILADELPHIA'S special school problem is a serious and little understood one, according to Dr. Oliver Cornman, associate superintendent of public schools.

MEET WITH OPPOSITION
Attempts to consolidate these schools are not always successful. There is a sort of community pride that militates against this. There is an enormous number of school divisions in the system, about one to every three teachers.

PRECEPT AND PRACTICE
THE city man doth plume some seeds, sufficient for his summer needs. He simply drops them in the ground. Then gaily knocks a ball around. The links.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?
QUIZ
1. In what century did Sir Isaac Newton live?
2. Who is the Socialist candidate for Vice president?

ANSWERS TO SATURDAY'S QUIZ
1. Delaware was ruled by five presidents in the period 1776-1789.
2. The river Rhine flows in a general north by west direction.

THE FIRST SAUCE
From the London Chronicle:
Who made the first sauce? Were the Chinese the pioneers in this as in so many other things? At one of the many Celestial restaurants now springing up in London I was given a card with my dinner, in which the brown and mysterious but not unappetizing condiment—served in small saucers—was described as "the oldest sauce in the world." Is it in truth the ancestor Worcester, Yorkshire and all those other liquid inseparables of the breakfast-table, or chop of old England?

SHORT CUTS

Talk's about over. Tomorrow we'll all get down to business.
Ballots nowadays are more like avalanches than snowflakes.
Newspapermen and telephone operators will take a long breath tonight.

Give cotton a chance to boost its price a little and it will feel fine as silk.
Ever notice the number of funnels and strainers being purchased nowadays?
McGraw says his indictment looks like a joke. He hasn't seen the point yet.

Mexico appears about ready to take her place in the sun of world confidence.
It wasn't until Halloween arrived that autumn felt that she ought to use a little rouge.
Annapolis plebes are in a position to know how the grasshopper may become a burden.

The presidency without the backing of the Senate is responsibility without authority.
If candidates always measured up to their platforms voting would be more of a pleasure.
A willing man whose ideas are sufficiently innocuous may win preferment most anywhere.

Winter, as ever, will try to win our good will by bribing us with buckwheat cakes and sausages.
Without being unduly aggressive, the average politician would rather fight than eat—humble pie.
A worthy cause is killed as frequently by the stupidity of its friends as by the abuse of its enemies.

The one safe bet is that no government will ever be able to evolve a tax system that will win popular favor.
New York contractors apparently never heard that stirring declaration which ends with "but not one cent for tribute."
Rain is promised for election day. Aw, shucks! And we thought the hated opposition was going to be snowed under!

Our fourth column specialist today confirms the view we have long held, viz., to wit and as follows: Our girls are all right.
A world's fair is to be held in Reykjavik, Iceland, next June. And the bands will play "A Hot Time in the Cold Town Tonight."
Complaints from Annapolis only serve to remind us that having is a phase of animosity that can only be wholly abolished when we abolish youth.

Hunters who have narrowly escaped death by being mistaken for squirrels may begin today to dread the monotony by being mistaken for rabbits.
Is it wholly a matter of coincidence that immediately after dismissing election promises we shall proceed to dream of Thanksgiving pumpkin pie crust?

Mayor Moore is taking steps to have a law passed to check the sale of firearms. As such a law has been urged many times in these columns it is a pleasure to second the motion.
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